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DETAILED ACTION

The proposed amendments, filed on 01/12/2009 after a final rejection mailed on 07/10/2008, **will not be entered** because the amendments to claims 1 and 7 raise new issues that would require further consideration.

Specifically, amendments to claim 1 such as “within the mold cavity with the mold cavity in a closed position” (see lines 5-6) and amendments to claim 7 such as “said movable wall part are disposed on opposite sides of said second core part of said second mold part” (see lines 14-15) and also such as “when said movable wall part is in said first, retracted position, a flow path for plastic is defined between said central core part, said second core part and said movable wall part, and wherein said movable wall part is movable into said flow path against the plastic in the direction of the central core to said second, extended position” (see lines 18-21) add new limitations which require further consideration and search.

The above amendments have incorporated new terminology and topographic features which previously have not been defined regarding a mold apparatus for manufacturing crates. Therefore, reconsideration of the prior arts of record, as well as, possible consideration of the other prior arts would be necessary to determine if the new claim limitations were not taught or suggested by the prior arts.

The applicant's arguments in regard to claims 1-13 filed with the amendments have been considered, but not found persuasive. Also, the arguments relating to the features of the mold apparatus for manufacturing crates according to the proposed amendments are moot, as the amendments will not be entered.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Seyed Masoud Malekzadeh whose telephone number is 571-272-6215. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday – Friday at 8:30 am – 5:00 pm.

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